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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) (PTO/SB/22);
2. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) for \$120.00 for the extension for response within first month;
3. Reply to Restriction and Election of Species Requirements; and
4. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

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Respectfully submitted,

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